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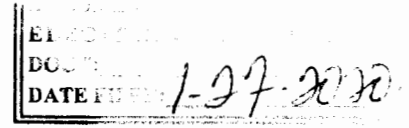
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Via ECF

Hon. Lewis A. Kaplan
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007



Re: United States v. Arquilio Ortiz
Case No.: 1:17-cr-00700-LAK-1

Dear Judge Kaplan:

I write to request permission for my client Arquilio Ortiz ("Ortiz"), to leave the State of New York for nine days, from Friday, February 21, 2020 until Saturday, February 29, 2020 per condition "3" of the Standard Conditions of Supervision.

On November 26, 2019, this Court sentenced Ortiz to "time served" with three years of supervised release, a \$300 fine and restitution of \$75,000. Ortiz has paid the fine and established a payment plan through probation to repay the restitution. He is otherwise in full compliance of his probation conditions as has been characterized as "low-risk" by his probation officer Michelle Rodriguez.

Ortiz's travel is to accompany his fiancé to Port Canaveral, Florida where they will board a Carnival cruise ship to Turks & Caicos. Ortiz's fiancé, Margaret Suarez ("Suarez"), is the treasurer of the Erika Roman Foundation, a charitable organization dedicated to breast cancer awareness. The Erika Roman Foundation is sponsoring this fund-raising event on the cruise ship. Suarez, as the treasurer, has obligations to the charitable foundation to organize, participate, and account for the various fundraising activities while on the cruise.

I have discussed this request with AUSA Cecilia Vogel, and Probation Officer Michelle Rodriguez. Both have taken "no-position" on this request.

I thank the Court for its consideration.

Yours, etc.,

SO ORDERED *Granted*

LEWIS A. KAPLAN, USDJ
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BY EMAIL

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Re: *United States v. Arquilio Ortiz*, No. 17 Cr. 700 (LAK)

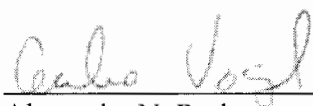
Dear Judge Kaplan:

On January 24, 2020, defendant Arquilio Ortiz, currently on supervised release, submitted a letter to the Court requesting permission to travel on a Carnival cruise ship to the Turks & Caicos from February 21 – 29, 2020. The Government takes no position as to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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